

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims to read as indicated herein.

1. (Original) An immersion blender comprising:
a body for containing a drive motor, ~~said body being~~
~~ergonomically shaped to form a first handle, said body having a first handle and a~~
~~second handle, wherein said first handle is ergonomically shaped, said second handle~~
~~is formed from a shape of said body, and said first handle is operatively connected to~~
~~said first~~second handle;
a drive shaft operatively connected to said drive motor; and
a tool operatively connected to said drive shaft.
2. (Original) The immersion blender of claim 1, further comprising a third handle.
3. (Currently amended) The immersion blender of claim 2, wherein said ~~third~~first handle is elongated with a proximal end portion, a central portion and a distal end portion.
4. (Original) The immersion blender of claim 3, wherein said proximal end and said distal end enable an operator's hand to easily grasp or wrap thereabout.
5. (Currently amended) The immersion blender of claim 4, wherein said central portion is connected to said ~~first~~second handle.
6. (Original) The immersion blender of claim 1, wherein said second handle can be handled by the operator to stabilize the immersion blender during operation.
7. (Currently amended) The immersion blender of ~~claim 1~~claim 2, wherein said ~~second~~third handle is a knob.

8. (Currently amended) A hand held blender comprising:
a body having a drive motor, said body having two or more handles, wherein at least one of said two or more handles is formed from a shape of said body;
a drive shaft operatively connected to said drive motor; and
a tool operatively connected to said drive shaft.

9. (Original) The hand held blender of claim 8, wherein at least one of said two or more handles is a stabilizing handle disposed on a side of said body.

10. (Original) The hand held blender of claim 9, wherein said stabilizing handle is a knob.

11. (Original) The hand held blender of claim 8, wherein at least one of said two or more handles is at least substantially vertically oriented with respect to a working surface during operation of the blender.

12. (Original) The hand held blender of claim 8, wherein at least one of said two or more handles is at least substantially horizontally oriented with respect to a working surface during operation of said blender.

13. (Original) A blender comprising:
a body housing a drive motor;
a drive shaft operatively connected to said drive motor; and
a tool operatively connected to said drive shaft,
wherein said body has a first handle to facilitate pivoting the blender with respect to a working surface, a second handle to facilitate moving the blender laterally with respect to said working surface, and a third handle to facilitate stabilizing the blender during operative use.

14. (Original) The blender of claim 13, wherein said first handle is elongated with a proximal end portion, a central portion and a distal end portion.

15. (Original) The blender of claim 14, wherein said proximal end and said distal end enable an operator's hand to easily grasp or wrap thereabout.

16. (Original) The blender of claim 15, wherein said central portion is connected to said second handle.

17. (Original) The blender of claim 13, wherein said third handle is on a side of said body.

18. (Original) The blender of claim 17, wherein said stabilizing handle is a knob.

19. (Original) The blender of claim 13, wherein said first handle is at least substantially horizontally oriented with respect to a working surface during operation of said blender.

20. (Original) The blender of claim 13, wherein said second handle is at least substantially vertically oriented with respect to a working surface during operation of said blender.